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Miami Valley Youth Soar through the Skies with Greg Poe

DAYTON, OHIO-- World-renowned aerobatic performer and unlimited aerobatic champion, Greg Poe, will give Miami Valley youth the chance of a lifetime, that of flying with him in his Ethanol-Powered MX2 show plane. Greg Poe's "Elevate Your Life" program is off to a roaring start with the goal of reaching out to over 10,000 kids this year during the 2010 air show season. The program is designed to help kids reach their dreams and to see the potential in themselves and hopefully the passion to keep away from drugs and other negative influences that can wreck their future.

Poe's "Elevate Your Life" program, the action arm of the Ryan J. Poe Foundation, is a youth outreach program designed to share Greg's amazing story of hard work and accomplishment with middle school aged children all over North America. The exciting and nationally recognized program came about as a result of losing his son Ryan to heroin addiction in August, 2002. Greg gives children of all ages the encouragement to dream, not daydream, but to go after life with energy and sincerity. His talk gives youth something to take away...smiles, laughter, hope, some of life's stark realities and a lot of encouragement. Poe inspires his audiences to find something they love to allow themselves to dream, to set goals, and to reach for the sky.

Students entering grades 6-8 in the fall of 2010 are eligible to enter the essay writing competition to win a flight with Greg Poe. Students must write an essay, no longer than 250 words on the topic "Elevate Your Life". Three concepts must be covered in the essay to be eligible to win:

1. What is your dream?
2. How do you plan to achieve your dream?
3. What will you do when you when you reach that dream?

All the contest details can be found on the Vectren Dayton Air Show website, http://www.daytonairshow.com/pages/03_kidsFamilies/Elevate-Your-Future-Contest_home.html. All applications must be submitted online no later than July 2nd. Contest winners will be notified by phone on July 8th.

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Founded in 1975, the Vectren Dayton Air Show Presented by Kroger is one of America's premier air shows. The Air Show showcases world-class aerobatic champions, military jet demonstrations and entertainment for the whole family celebrating Dayton's aviation heritage as home of the Wright Brothers, National Museum of the US Air Force and Wright Patterson AFB. For more information visit www.daytonairshow.com